

All five made their way through the Central Vermont Skating Association before joining the U-32 varsity.

"They play hockey for all the right reasons," said Bill Driscoll, head of the North American Hockey Academy in Stowe.

"They show up. They love every minute of every game and practice. They have a super attitude."

PLAYING THEIR GAME

Sarah and Patrick are stars with the U-32 boys hockey team, while Gillian, the youngest of the triplets, is the top scorer on the newly formed U-32 girls varsity hockey team.

Patrick led U-32 in scoring last year as a freshman with 24 goals and has tallied 23 this year.

Patrick admits that he winces a little when his sister, Sarah, who plays the wing, has to take a cheap shot from one of the boys on the opposing team. Otherwise, she holds her own.

"If it's a clean check, I know she can take it," said Patrick, who hopes to play hockey in college.

Patrick and Sarah normally play on different lines, but from time to time they are on the ice together.

"We don't play together that often. We've played more together in the past," Sarah said.

Patrick looks forward to those moments when he is skating alongside Sarah.

"It's fun when you are out there and know exactly where she is going to be," he said.

When U-32 voters approved funds for a girls varsity team this winter, Sarah had the chance to switch from the boys varsity. She declined. If she does switch, she will be locked into that decision.

"I wanted to stay with the boys just because of the level of play. I thought it would be more advantageous," said Sarah, who would like to play college hockey like her older sister.

Her coach, Jim Segar, agreed.

"It would hurt Sarah to go play with the girls because of her abilities," Segar said.

Her sister, Gillian Butsch, played in the CVSA's Bantam Division through last year, but jumped at the chance to be a member of the original girls varsity team.

"All the players and all the parents were in favor of a girls team so they could be equal with the boys," Sarah said.

Sarah, who is the leading scorer on the girls team, said the varsity team has improved substantially since the start of the season.

In order to better compete with the boys, Sarah works out with weights in some of her free time.

Segar and U-32 girls coach Mike Reardon said the Butsch children have been supportive of each other.

Reardon said when no scorekeeper was available for a recent girls varsity game, Patrick jumped in to run the scoreboard.

"Not everybody would do that," said Reardon.

Hockey isn't the only passion they share. The three sophomores also like to play soccer in the fall and lacrosse in the spring. They also have been known to pick up a tennis racket.

THE BIGGEST FANS

Dick and Linda Butsch have not only supported their children in their hockey exploits, but also in their day-to-day lives.

"The parents are really great people," Reardon said. "They have instilled a lot of social values in their kids. They also have provided them with their same humility and sense of humor."

Driscoll also has followed their careers.

"With five children, you would have thought their parents would have burned out

on hockey by now. But they are at every game," he said.

Butsch's career included a stint on the junior varsity team at Princeton. "It was all downhill after that," he said with a laugh.

Others would dispute that, including Segar and Reardon.

Butsch has been active with the new hockey rink in Montpelier, the Central Vermont Civic Center, and helped raise the \$1.8 million for its construction, Segar said.

"Dick Butsch is making hockey happen in Central Vermont. Not only for U-32 and Montpelier, but the Harwood Association and others." He said even Spaulding High has used the Montpelier center when unable to use its home ice because of the farm show.

Butsch is trying to raise another \$100,000 to put the final touches on the civic center, which opened in December 1998.

Butsch, a surgeon, has been known to show up in his hospital scrubs at civic center board meetings, Segar said.

Reardon said this winter he had a severe gash to his hand and Gillian pulled out a medical supply kit to help stop the bleeding and urged him to go see her father for stitches.

Reardon said a few days later, when it can time to removing the stitches, Butsch accommodated the coach at the rink by taking them out.

Linda Butsch admitted she is a limited skater. Her husband said she had a short hockey career.

"We got her to play goalie once. She never came back," he said.

THE FIRST WAVE

The Butsch triplets aren't the only family members making a name for themselves in the world of hockey.

Jen Butsch, a freshman on the Providence College woman's hockey team, had two goals and one assist last weekend, including the game-winning score against Cornell on Saturday.

Earlier this season, she had a game-winning goal with four seconds remaining in overtime at St. Cloud. The Friars (15-5-3 overall, 9-4-3 in ECAC play) are ranked eighth in the nation. Butsch has nine goals and seven assists, putting her third in points for Providence, which is undefeated in 13 of its last 14 games.

"She is quite a role model for her sisters," U-32 boys varsity coach Jim Segar said.

Chris Butsch is a sophomore at Skidmore, where he is president of the first-year club hockey team. He was a Division III all-state center at U-32, where he was the leading scorer and two-year captain. He keeps busy trying to line up games for the team and checking the Internet to see how his sister Jen is stacking up. When he gets home he tries to suit up for an occasional game with a local team, the Bolduc Crushers. ●

RECOGNITION OF THE HARRIMAN ARTS PROGRAM OF WILLIAM JEWELL COLLEGE

● Mr. BOND. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize the achievements of Dr. Richard Harriman. Dr. Harriman has been an integral part of the Fine Arts program at William Jewell College and on February 25, 2000, the Fine Arts program will be named for him.

Among his many accomplishments, Dr. Harriman presented the world professional recital debut by the world renowned Luciano Pavarotti in 1973. Dr. Harriman has also presented other artists such as Isaac Stern, Itzhak Perlman and Yo-Yo Ma.

The Fine Arts program at William Jewell Incorporates an Education Series that offers free masters classes, workshops and discussions allowing Jewell students and community members to view artists in a less formal setting. Furthermore, the program was named in Peterson's Smart Parents Guide to College as an example of how small colleges can become centers of culture for an entire region.

Mr. President, Dr. Harriman has been a tremendous asset to William Jewell College and, indeed, the entire Kansas City area. I ask that my colleagues join me in congratulating him on this most distinguished honor. ●

TRIBUTE TO LESTER S. JAYSON

● Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated public servant and friend of the Congress for many years, Lester S. Jayson, former director of the Congressional Research Service, who died on December 30, 1999, in Orlando, Florida.

Mr. Jayson joined the staff of what was then the Legislative Reference Service in October 1960 as Senior Specialist in American Public Law and Chief of the American Law Division. He was promoted to Deputy Director of the Service in May 1962, and served as Director from February 1966 through September 1975.

Mr. Jayson was influential in helping to develop the modern Congressional Research Service during his tenure as director of CRS between 1971 and 1975, the years in which the Service began implementation of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970. This Act changed the name of the Service and fundamentally enhanced its role by emphasizing the provision of policy analysis in all services to Members and committees of the Congress. The staff of the Service more than doubled during this time, and Mr. Jayson helped guide CRS to fulfill its congressional mandate and continue the tradition of responding to congressional requests for comprehensive and reliable information, research, and analysis to the Congress at all stages of the legislative process.

A graduate of New York City College in 1936 and Harvard Law School in 1939, Mr. Jayson was admitted to the bar of the State of New York and practiced law in New York City until 1942, when he was appointed Special Assistant to the U.S. Attorney General to handle trial and appellate proceedings in civil cases in the New York field office of the Department of Justice. In 1950, he joined the Appellate Section of the Civil Division of the Justice Department, and in 1957, he became Assistant Chief of the Torts Section, Civil Division, and then was promoted to Chief of that division. Mr. Jayson was also a member of the bar of the U.S. Supreme Court, the U.S. Court of Claims, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, and various other Federal courts. He served as Chairman

and Vice Chairman of the Federal Tort Claims Committee of the Federal Bar Association.

His 1,200-page book, *Federal Tort Claims: Administrative and Judicial Remedies*, was considered by many to be the preeminent volume on federal tort law. He wrote the volume as an extracurricular activity in 1964 and continued to update it regularly until several years ago.

On behalf of the Members of Congress who knew and worked with Mr. Jayson, I would like to thank his family for sharing him with us during the years he served the Congress and hope they are comforted by his legacy. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Evelyn, his daughters Jill and Diane, and his four grandchildren.●

TRIBUTE TO JIM FLANAGAN ON HIS RETIREMENT

● Mr. SMITH of New Hampshire. Mr. President, I rise today in recognition of a gentleman who is known to many of us here in the Senate and in the House of Representatives, Mr. Jim Flanagan, who is now retiring after more than 35 years of representing electric utility interests here in Washington.

A graduate of St. Michael's College in Vermont, and an Army veteran who served as a guided missile instructor, Jim Flanagan worked for many years as the Washington Representative of New England Electric System, and later for Yankee Atomic Electric Company. It is in that capacity that many of us came to know Jim as a wise counselor on the intricacies of electricity and tax legislation. Jim always had a firm grasp on the issues, he often had an innovative approach to solving a problem, and he was unfailingly respectful of the political process and the difficult decisions that elected representatives face when supporting or opposing legislation.

I came to know Jim personally under just such circumstances. He was an advocate for licensing the Seabrook nuclear plant in my state of New Hampshire, arguably the most controversial construction project ever undertaken in this country. Throughout good times and bad, through the many legislative attempts to derail the project, Jim Flanagan stood his ground, he argued with facts not rhetoric, and he represented his company's interests with integrity and passion. We eventually licensed that plant, something I am personally proud of, and today Seabrook is one of the safest, best-performing nuclear plants in the world. Without the efforts of Jim Flanagan, that would not have happened.

Jim had another, equally important, side to him. Beyond the issues of the day, Jim Flanagan was a loyal friend, a gentleman who looked out for others and who would take that extra step to do someone a favor. He was a believer in young people, and took it upon himself to be a mentor to many here in Washington, including members of my

staff. Many of us who know Jim know that he has a bad knee, but few of us realize that he got that bad knee teaching Little Leaguers how to slide into second base more than 40 years ago. From his hometown of Waltham, Massachusetts, to here in the Nation's Capital, Jim Flanagan cared about people.

In an industry that has gone through several sea changes, and in a town where people and ideas come and go, Jim Flanagan was a constant—you could always count on him. Jim will be sorely missed—some say the Edison Electric Institute will not survive without him—but he will certainly not be forgotten. Jim's wife Beth, and his two grown children Billy and Lisa, should be very proud of him.●

RECOGNITION OF JASON LEE MIDDLE SCHOOL IN VANCOUVER, WA

● Mr. GORTON. Mr. President, as I have traveled throughout Washington State, meeting with parents and educators, I have learned about the unique needs that exist in each of our school districts. One of those challenges is teaching children who speak English as their second language. In Vancouver, Washington, Jason Lee Middle School has created a program called the Jason Lee English Transition System (JETS) that tackles this challenge head on and not only teaches English, but also identifies exceptional and special needs students and helps them to excel. I am proud to present my 32nd "Innovation in Education" award to the JETS program of Vancouver's Jason Lee Middle School.

Twenty-five percent of Jason Lee's students are English Language Learners [ELL] and speak 14 different languages. A majority of these students speak either Russian, Ukrainian, or Spanish, creating a diverse student body and enhancing every child's education. When a child begins to learn English at Jason Lee, they do not immediately enter mainstream classes and instead are taught in their native language to demonstrate their math and reading levels. Students must also go through an intensive instruction in English before they are brought into general education classes. This advance preparation means that ELL students are greeted with a more inclusive atmosphere and will have a greater understanding of their classes and coursework.

Another challenge that faces students new to the United States is understanding American culture while maintaining ties to their own native culture. The JETS program also recognizes this difficult adjustment by putting a great emphasis on encouraging both the celebration of the native culture and in actively encouraging parental involvement.

In addition, JETS has taken the further step of working to not only provide these students with a smooth transition into English, but it goes one

step further and identifies gifted students and students with special needs. Too often, programs for non-English speaking students struggle to identify children needing special attention. Clearly, JETS has addressed that obstacle and serves as a model for school districts struggling with the same challenges.

The JETS program does not just teach students English, it identifies and addresses the many issues that a child new to this country must suddenly deal with and seeks an understanding of each student's learning level. I applaud the teachers and staff at Jason Lee Middle School for developing the JETS program which demonstrates the innovation and creativity that is happening in our schools today. I congratulate Jason Lee Middle School for its outstanding work in this field of education.●

BEULAH COOL'S 96TH BIRTHDAY

● Mr. ABRAHAM. Mr. President, I rise to recognize Beulah Cool and congratulate her on the celebration of her 96th birthday. Ms. Cool was born on June 20, 1903 in Elmdale, MI, and is currently a resident of Webberville County, MI.

Ms. Cool has lived a life dedicated to helping others, as evidenced by her commitment to education and community service. She graduated from Clarksville school in 1921, took a six-week course in teaching, and taught at a rural school that same year. Upon her marriage to Kenneth Cool in 1929, she put a hold on her teaching career and gave birth to two sons, William Kenneth (1940) and Robert Arthur (1943), staying at home until they were both in school. In 1950, Ms. Cool returned to teaching, instructing first grade for 21 years until her retirement in 1971.

After her retirement from teaching, Beulah commenced her "second career" as a volunteer, with organizations such as the Red Cross, CROP Walk and Sparrow Hospital. One of her specialties when working at Sparrow was knitting caps for premature babies. Ms. Cool is also a member of the Webberville United Methodist Church (where she has taught Sunday School), the Webberville Women's Advance Club, the Webberville Garden Club, and the Webberville Extension Club. In honor of her extensive community service, Beulah was named Webberville Citizen of the Year in 1990, "Queen of Webberville" by the Webberville Fireman's Organization in 1996, and has served as Grand Marshal in a Webberville parade.

The town of Webberville and the State of Michigan are lucky to have Beulah Cool to call their own. I applaud her on her more than 70 years of community service through education and volunteer work and I wish her a very happy 96th birthday.●